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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 03 February 2006 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

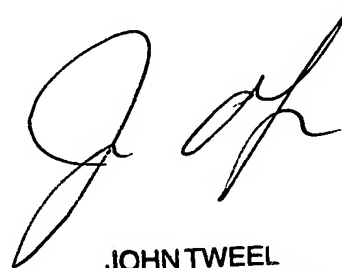
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d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☒ entered in part. See explanation below.

Regarding the Abstract, the Examiner should have been a little more specific as to which "an" is to be replaced. The Examiner was not referring to the line markings in the left hand side of the page. In this regard, line 7 includes the incorrect word "an" before the word "unit". The correct article to use before "unit" should be --a--.

The other two notes regarding Page 11 are correct



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